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## Miss. College Plans Homecoming Day

### High School Seniors To Be Guests Of College, Alumni

Big plans for Homecoming on November 20 have been made at Mississippi College. There will be a business meeting of the Alumni Association from 12:15 a. m. to 1:45 p. m. The meeting will be held in the college chapel. At 2 p. m., the Choctaws will close the 1948 football season with a game with East Texas Baptist College.

Two requests are being made of all alumni:

1. That they pay their annual dues to Alumni Treasurer Wilson Fulton, before or at the Alumni meeting.
2. All alumni are urged to bring one or more high school senior boys or girls, to be guests of the college on Homecoming Day. They will be guests of the college for lunch and at the football game. Alumni Secretary Fulton, who is also assistant football coach asks that alumni write him not later than noon, November 19, giving the number of high school seniors they are bringing. This will enable the college to reserve tickets and plan for their lunch. His address in P. O. Box 276, Clinton.

Present officers, in addition to Mr. Fulton, are Rev. E. L. Byrd, Meridian, President, and Evon Ford, Taylorsville, Vice President.

New officers for the coming year will be elected at the Alumni meeting.

### HOST PASTOR



DR. W. DOUGLAS HUDGINS

### CONVENTION SPEAKER



DR. O. T. BRINKLEY

Dr. O. T. Brinkley, Professor of Christian Ethics and Sociology at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., will attend the Mississippi Baptist Convention and speak at the meeting of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Alumni.

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## A Letter Of Welcome To Miss. Baptists

To All Mississippi Baptists:

Once again Jackson Baptists are ready to welcome the messengers to the State Convention. My fellow pastors and their congregations join the membership of the First Church and me in the assurance that everything possible will be done to make your stay as pleasant as possible.

If you plan to stay at one of the hotels, make your own reservation directly with the hotel of your choice. If you want a room in a private home, please advise the Committee on Home Assignment, as indicated in another column.

Nursery, First Aid Room, Emergency Message Service, and other courtesies will be provided. Exhibit space will be arranged for denominational agencies only. Registration, Home Assignment, Exhibits, and the Book Store will be located in the lower auditorium. All space on the main floor will be held in reserve for committee board conference, and group meetings.

We anticipate your coming with genuine pleasure. Remember—write for your reservations NOW.

Sincerely,

W. DOUGLAS HUDGINS,  
Pastor First Baptist Church.

## FOREIGN BOARD APPOINTS TWO FROM MISSISSIPPI

### Baptist Mission Property in Near East Safe

### RADIO SPEAKER



REV. REESE ROGERS

## Rev. Reese Rogers To Speak on Mississippi Baptist Radio Hour

Rev. J. Reese Rogers, pastor of Salem Church, near Collins, will be the speaker of the Mississippi Baptist Radio Hour Sunday afternoon, November 7, at 2:30 CST over the following stations:

WSLI, Jackson; WCBI Columbus; WMOX Meridian; WROB West Point; WELO Tupelo; WROX Clarksdale; WLAU, Laurel; WHOC, Philadelphia; WLOX, Biloxi; WAPF, McComb; KW EM, West Memphis; WVBM, Brookhaven.

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## Exhibit Space At Convention To Be Allotted By Committee

At a meeting of the Jackson Baptist pastors, it was decided to assign space for the various exhibits at the meeting of the State Convention, November 15-18. All institutions or organizations desiring space are asked to write to the Exhibit Committee care First Baptist Church, Jackson, telling the amount of space needed. The committee will endeavor to provide for all requests. This plan will take the exhibits out of the halls and vestibules and prevent much congestion which has heretofore been a problem.

Foreign Mission Board appropriations have increased from \$1,269,000 for 1945 to \$2,973,000 for 1949, Secretary M. Theron Rankin reported at the semi-annual meeting of the Foreign Mission Board, October 19. A considerable part is absorbed in increased cost of operations caused by inflation and inability of Baptist nationals to bear as much expense as they did before their sources of income were destroyed by war. There has been a net increase of 165 missionaries on the foreign field during those years.

The 1949 budget includes \$2,641,027.94 for foreign fields, \$47,500.00 for fixed convention expenses, and \$285,090.00 for the home budget.

### The Orient

Following new measures taken by the Nationalist government in China, there is hope for more stable prices and less black market activities, according to a report received from Secretary Baker James Cauthen, now in the Orient.

### Latin America

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Webb, formerly in Mexico, are now serving in Guatemala, where there are fifteen churches, six pastors, and a Bible school. This is the only nation where Southern Baptists have a few pure Indian churches. Southern Baptists are also helping one Baptist church in the neighboring nation of Honduras.

Another new field in Latin America is among Russian-speaking people in Paraguay, with whom the W. E. Craighheads, formerly serving in Bessarabia, recently began working. A missionary couple from Colombia, the Tom L. Neelys, will enter Venezuela early next year.

### Europe

Secretaries M. Theron Rankin and George W. Sadler, and two members of the Board, Dr. J. W. Storer and Dr. Theodore Adams, attended a conference of European and North American Baptists in London late in August. As a result of this conference, and realizing that the greatest need in Europe is trained leaders, the Board granted from rehabilitation funds \$2,320 for the Oslo seminary, \$10,000 for Hamburg seminary, \$35,000 for a seminary building in Budapest (bombed by our own forces), and \$10,000 for a publishing plant in Bremen, Germany.

### Near East

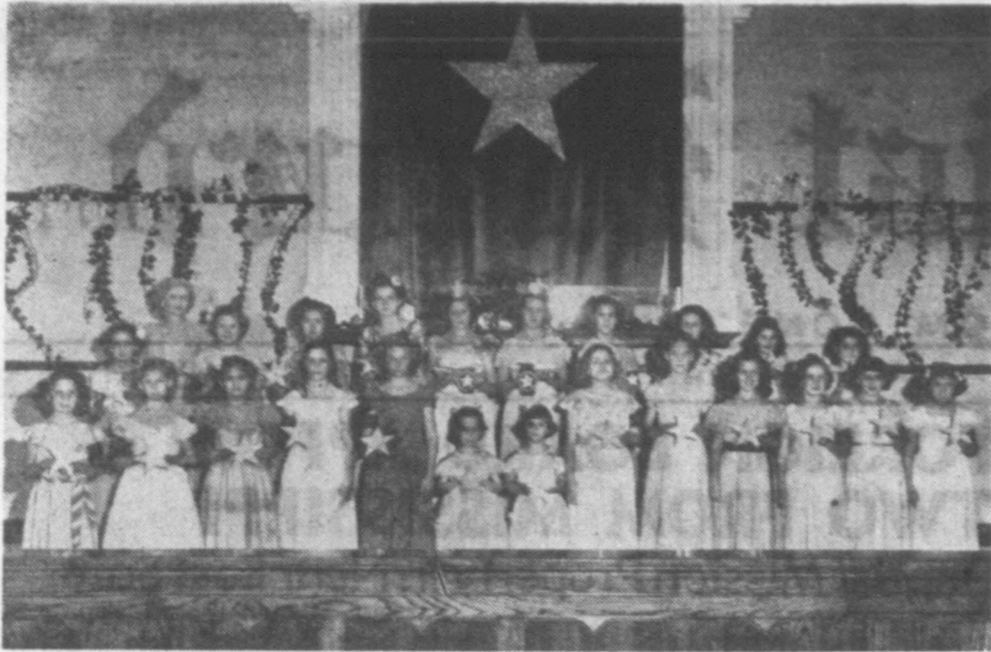
Southern Baptists now have seven missionaries in the Near East—three in Nazareth, two in Bahrain and two in Transjordan. Mr. and Mrs. Finlay Graham, the two in Transjordan, are

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## MAKE A THANKSGIVING OFFERING for BAPTIST ORPHANAGE



## 21 JUNIORS RECOGNIZED IN NORTHSIDE CORONATION



Shown above is the Coronation Service held recently at Northside Church, Jackson.

Front row, left to right: Nancy Lay, Dixie Lea Turner, Harriet Jean Clarke, Betty Lou Ellzey, Elise Anderson, Ann Maxwell, Claudia Ann Clarke, Betty Jane Crockett, Margaret Ann Merrill, Betty Jane Cleveland, Maxie Crockett, Peggy Perkins, Joan Waldrop.

Second row, left to right: Joy Allen, Miss Celeste Neelly, Jimmie Ruth Sullivan, Marjorie Johnson, Gloria Kight, Ann Hemphill, Elizabeth Waldrop, Patricia Ellzey, Charlotte Fulton, Martha Lancaster, Doris Kay Dickerson.

## FOREIGN BOARD APPOINTS

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moving to Beirut in order to work more freely.

A cable received October 20 from one of our missionaries reported news from the Jerusalem consulate that property of the Baptist Near East Mission is safe. Hit five times by shells, the roof requires repairs before rains come and the missionary asked that three hundred dollars be cabled. Because of heavy censorship, missionaries in the Near East cannot write fully of conditions in Palestine. A difficult winter is expected in Nazareth because of villages having been razed and thousands turned out of their homes without food, clothes or money.

## Missionary Appointees Include Two Mississippians

Four missionaries were appointed at the October meeting: REV. AND MRS. JAMES H. FAIRCHILD, JR., OF MISSISSIPPI, for Brazil and Rev. and Mrs. Quinn Pett Morgan of North Carolina and South Carolina, respectively, for Nigeria. (Editor's Note: Mr. Fairchild is pastor at Collins.)

These appointments bring the number appointed this year to seventy-two, and the total number of active missionaries listed in the budget to 669.

## Enlargement of Home Office

The Board authorized purchase of a large building at 2039 Monument, adjoining the present headquarters building, from funds provided by a gift specified for that purpose. This transaction will solve a difficulty faced by the Board for more than a year in trying to relieve crowded conditions occasioned by an expanding force.

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Rev. Homer H. Bridges, former Missouri pastor, has enrolled at the Seminary in New Orleans and is available for pastoral work in Southern Mississippi. Mr. Bridges is a graduate of Ouachita College in Arkansas, and has studied three years at Southwestern Seminary. He has served churches in Arkansas, Texas, and Missouri for the past 16 years. He may be contacted at 8525 Dixon Street, New Orleans 18.

"Star-Light" was the theme of the Junior G. A. Coronation Service held in the Northside Church, Jackson, Wednesday evening, October 13. A perfect setting was formed by soft lights, a large silver star, and the glittering letters of their theme song, "I'd Rather Have Jesus."

Mrs. W. Lowrey Compere brought an inspiring message, after which Miss Peggy Cooper sang a solo, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. T. M. Dickson.

Miss Celeste Neelly, G. A. Counselor, gave recognition to the following twenty-one members of the Catherine Cooper and Gladys Keith G. A.'s:

Maiden—Harriet Jean Clark, Peggy Perkins Maxine Crockett, Joan Waldrop, Betty Jane Cleveland, Betty Lou Ellzey, Dixie Lea Turner, Margaret Ann Merrill, Elise Anderson, and Nancy Lay.

Lady-in-Waiting—Martha Lancaster, Gloria Ann Kight, Doris Kay Dickerson, Betty Jane Crockett, Patricia Ellzey, and Marjorie Johnson.

Princess—Charlotte Fulton, Jimmy Ruth Sullivan, and Joy Allen.

Climax of the ceremony was the crowning of two queens—Ann Hemphill and Elizabeth Waldrop, who were preceded to the platform by little "star" girls, Claudia Ann Clark and Ann Maxwell.

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## CALENDAR OF PRAYER

November 8—Dr. J. M. Powell, trustee, Blue Mountain College; Clinton Sunday School Training Course.

November 9—R. A. Focus Week; J. H. Simpson, President, Pike County Brotherhood.

November 10—Mrs. Webb Brame, State WMU Vice President; Henry Ellis, Music Director, Clay Association.

November 11—Edwina May, office secretary, State Brotherhood Department; Mrs. Ruth Floyd, Tishomingo Associational Training Union Director.

November 12—Dr. Guy C. Mitchell, Professor, Mississippi College; Rev. L. D. Sellers, Carrollton, Convention Board member.

November 13—Mrs. T. H. McLaurin, Clarke College Faculty; H. E. McKay, Madison Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

November 14—J. T. Grantham, Baptist Hospital; Gene Howell, Belhaven BSU President.

## Southern Baptist Foreign Missions

M. THERON RANKIN,  
Executive Secretary

FRANK K. MEANS,  
Secretary Education and Promotion

## FOREIGN MISSION BOARD'S STATEMENT OF POLICY

The Foreign Mission Board, in its semi-annual full meeting in Richmond, October 19-20, devoted an entire afternoon session to a careful consideration of the administrative policies of the Board. The relationship of the Board to other organizations and its administration of relief funds were given special attention.

By unanimous vote the following statement taken from the report of the executive secretary was adopted as a statement of the Foreign Mission Board:

"The administrative staff of the Foreign Mission Board unanimously accepts the unequivocal responsibility for administering all of the affairs of this Board in keeping with the beliefs and policies of Southern Baptists as represented by the Southern Baptist Convention. We accept this responsibility not only because we believe that as an agency of the Convention we are obligated by honor to do this, but much more because our personal convictions are in accord with the basic beliefs and positions as expressed by our Convention. Being Baptists as we are, our Convention has never undertaken to define for every individual church or church member the specific details of our basic beliefs. Differing positions are held concerning some of these details. But there can be little question as to what the basic beliefs and positions are.

"Our Convention has made itself quite explicit in its conviction that the Convention should not have membership in or affiliation with the World Council of Churches or the Federal Council of Churches. I speak for the entire administrative staff when I say that it is our purpose to administer the affairs of the Foreign Mission Board in accordance with this position of our Convention.

"I call your attention to one of the six objectives which I proposed in the first report that I brought to the Foreign Mission Board as its Executive Secretary at the April meeting in 1945. 'We must steadfastly pursue the objective of promoting New Testament churches which are directly responsible to God and which can admit no authority between themselves and Him. We believe that God moves in and through such local groups of believers to work out His will among men. They are his agencies of salvation among the people of their own lands. It follows then, that such churches cannot be extensions of our Southern Baptist Convention. They must be rooted in the soil and life of the nations in which they live; they must be Brazilian Baptist, Nigerian Baptist, Chinese Baptist churches. We must promote their independence by helping to train their leaders who will be directly responsible to their own churches and agencies. They must increase and we must decrease.

"It follows, also, that we cannot lend ourselves to any movement that would absorb these churches in an organic Church or ecclesiastical world council. We believe that they can no more be responsible to an organic World Church or National Church than they could be responsible to an

organic Baptist Church. Individually and locally they must be directly responsible to God."

"The policies of the Foreign Mission Board have been administered at home and abroad in keeping with the entire statement that I have just made. No proposal has ever come before this Board or its administrative staff for any kind of affiliation with either the World Council or the Federal Council of Churches. I am confident that should such a proposal be made, it would be unanimously rejected."

(Signed by Board members attending):

Searcy Garrison, Georgia.  
W. A. Bell, Mississippi.  
J. W. Storer, Oklahoma.  
John L. Slaughter Alabama.  
R. Knolan Benfield, N. Carolina.  
Chas. S. McKinney, Texas.  
M. P. German, Dist. of Columbia.  
D. M. Nelson, Jr., Missouri.  
M. Ray McKay, Arkansas.  
Vernon B. Richardson, Maryland.  
R. P. Downey, Virginia.  
O. E. Turner, Tennessee.  
J. E. Rawlinson, S. Carolina.  
R. Kelly White, Florida.  
R. C. Gresham, Georgia.  
H. Leo Eddleman, Kentucky.  
Ralph A. Herring, N. Carolina.  
A. Hope Owen, Texas.  
C. E. Hereford, Texas.  
J. G. Loving, Mrs. Simeon Atkinson, Theodore F. Adams, Clyde V. Hickerson, Mrs. P. Earl Wood, John C. Williams, Solon B. Cousins, T. Rupert Coleman, J. Levering Evans, W. Rush Loving, R. C. McDanel, Reuben Alley, Mrs. Paul LaRoque, Hill Montague, L. Howard Jenkins, Oscar L. Hite.

## ROOMS FOR MESSENGERS TO STATE CONVENTION

Anticipating a record number of messengers to our State Convention, the Jackson pastors are arranging through their churches to provide rooms in private homes for all messengers who desire them.

The cost will be \$1.00 per night, per person. The hosts are not being requested to furnish breakfast for the visitors. This is done with the thought that more rooms will be available in the event that the visitor does not expect to take a meal in the home.

Hotel and tourist court reservations will not be made by the board committee but must be made direct.

Persons desiring a room in a private home should write as early as possible to Hospitality Committee, First Baptist Church, Jackson. In the event that it is desirable to share a room with another person, reservation should be made jointly.

To be sure of getting a room, reservation must be made in advance. Those requesting rooms before the Convention will be provided with rooms, but, although effort will be made to provide rooms for those who come without previous reservation, no promise can be made concerning the rooms.

A Nursery will be provided for small children of messengers while the parents are attending the sessions of the Convention, without cost to the parents.



## Mississippi Baptists — Your Secretary Says:

### "Love Never Fails." I Corinthians 13:8

I  
Please note that February 22, 1949, 9:00 a. m. — 4:00 p. m. has been selected for the annual session of the associational moderators and the associational clerks.

II  
We were happy to have a Church Administration class from Mississippi College taught by Professor O'Neal go through the Baptist Building. First, we assembled in the Prayer room for prayer and a preview of the work. We then conducted them through the three floors of the building. A longer stop was made in the Bookkeeping Department where the records of their churches were opened to them, questions were answered about various procedures in the handling of monies. Another major stop was made in the Mailing department of the Baptist Record where they saw mailing operations actually taking place on Wednesday. The filing system having to do with church lists was also explained. After the trip through the building, we returned to the assembly room where many other questions were asked and answered.

We also had a delightful visit from Pastor L. R. Alford, Mrs. Alford, and a group of young people from Scooba. We also showed them the big mosquito we brought back from Alaska.

III  
In Revelation 12:7-12, we have one of the most startling passages to be found anywhere. "And there was war in heaven." Some things we would not believe if we did not read them in the Bible. This is one of them. In the first two chapters of the Book of Job, we find God and the Devil engaged in conversation. We would not believe it if we did not read it in the Bible. Somehow, we had not thought of God and the Devil being on speaking terms. We read that the dragon fought and his angels prevailed not. The Devil never has rolled Jesus over in the sand, and he never will. God wins the war. Heaven wins the last battle! Jesus has the last word! We win with Jesus or we lose without him.

We read further that Satan is in the business of deceiving. Satan was cast out into the earth. Satan never has been in hell and never will be in hell until the time spoken of in Revelation, the 20th chapter. He is on this earth. His angels were cast out with him. If the angels in Revelation, chapters 1, 2, and 3, were the preachers in the churches, then these angels must be Satan's preachers.

There is joy in heaven over the fact that Satan is cast out. You will note that the ammunition Satan used was in the form of accusing the brethren, the children of God. He accuses them before God day and night. Satan is a busy fellow.

All this has to do with the intensified activity of Satan against the consummation of the second coming of Jesus. Satan is so anxious to defeat Jesus in his second coming that, with his angels, he sweeps from this earth right on up and storms the gates of heaven. He takes the war to God. Oh, the audacity of the Devil in trying to destroy the faith of God in his own family. The Devil does not use cannon, neither cannon balls, but accusation.

How did the forces of heaven overcome the Devil? They overcame by the blood of the Lord. The Devil simply cannot wade through the blood of Christ. They overcame him by the word of their testimony. The Devil cannot defeat the testimony of a consistent Christian life. They overcame him by being willing to die for the cause involved. "They loved not their lives unto the death."

"There is renewed rejoicing in heaven, but woes are pronounced upon the in-

habitants of the earth and of the sea!

For the Devil is come down unto you having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." The Devil at that point knows that he must work fast because the second coming of Jesus will be consummated and there his opportunity will be ended.

We were told during the World War that it was an all-out war. The government maintained the right to go to a manufacturer and tell that manufacturer to turn its production toward the winning of the war. For instance, a watch maker was told not to make so many miscellaneous watch parts, but rather fine steel springs to go into precision instruments to help in the winning of the war. The Devil has been in an all-out war against God and his people for a long time. The principles of all-out warfare for Christ are still found in the Bible. The tragedy is that few churches and few Christians have gone into an all-out war for Christ.

During the war, you read in the papers that the enemy had hurled everything in his command at the heads of our boys. This was an effort to take a sector. It was an effort to win the war.

Satan has been hurling everything at his command at the head of God and at the heads of His people for a long time. He hurled the Midianites and Philistines against the Israelites. God's people were in bondage to each. God did not make and call out his people to be in bondage or in slavery to anybody. We are to walk with Him. We are to work for Him. We are to reign with Him.

Satan hurled a great deal at the head of Jesus in his first coming. Satan hurled at him a dismantled faith in false Messiahs who came during the inter-Biblical period. Psychologically and theologically this was used to dull the faith of the people in Jesus as the Messiah. One in the New Testament takes note of this fact as he tells the people that if Jesus is like the others, he will go the way of the others; but if he is of God, they cannot stop him anyway.

Satan hurled lies at the head of Jesus. They misinterpreted what he said about the resurrection of his body. They accused him of being a traitor to the Roman government. They hired false witnesses to lie about him. After His resurrection, they told the soldiers to say that they went to sleep and while they slept, his disciples stole his body. GOD MUST HATE A LIE. IT CRUCIFIED HIS SON. The further tragedy of this broke upon us as we visited Jerusalem some years ago. After 1900 years, some Jews believe the lies told about Jesus. They go to hell in their unbelief.

In connection with the second coming of Jesus, Satan is going to intensify his warfare. He intends defeating Jesus. Some in the church are out cooperating with him.

The sixth chapter of Revelation is a part of this intensified warfare. First, there is the rider of the White Horse with a bow in his hand, going forth conquering and to conquer. He is not the real rider of the White Horse. He is described in Revelation 19. His vesture is dipped in blood. His name is Jesus, and he puts the Devil in his place. Revelation 20:10. The imitation in Revelation 6, in person and movement, for us at least, may be summed up in the word covetousness. In Isaiah 14, it is covetousness that caused Lucifer to rebel against God. What is it that caused Adam and Eva to sin against God? Covetousness. What is it that caused Achan to steal the wedge of gold, bringing death to his family and temporary defeat to the people of God? Covetousness. What is it that caused Absalom to steal the love of the ten tribes and rebel against his father? Covetousness. What was it that

caused Ananias and Sapphira to lie about the money placed at the disciples feet? Covetousness. It is the Devil's delusion. It defies God. It stultifies the conscience. It blinds to a vision of service. It robs God's treasury.

The rider of the second horse has power to take peace from the earth — WAR. We are no "peace at any price" fellow, and neither are we a militarist. Jesus said that they who take to the sword shall perish by the sword. History tells us that the nations of the earth having worshiped the god of Mars have perished from the face of the earth.

What does war have to do with the progression and retrogression of the kingdom of God? It may have a great deal to do. During a visit to China several years ago, we took to a fast train at Shanghai and went through Quinsain, Chinkiang, to Nanking, the capital of China. Driving around in the city with missionaries, we were shown the homes of cabinet members. Some of their family members were Christians. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and his wife were professed Christians. On every hand, we heard prophecy to the effect that China was going to be the next great Christian nation of the world. We verily believed it. That was in April. The following summer, war broke out. China has been fighting for her nation's existence since that time. The minds of most Chinese, through it all, were taken from Christ. Our missionaries came home. Churches were disorganized. Church buildings were demolished. One of our lovely houses of worship in Shanghai was turned into a stable by the Japanese. For years, we have heard not one single prophecy from any source to the effect that China might be the next great Christian nation of the world.

The third rider is on a Black Horse — famine. Orators said in our hearing in World War I, we would never have another great famine in the world. Jesus says differently in Matthew 24. Some men will sell their souls for bread when starving. Let us not be too sure as to what we would do. We have never been hungry.

The fourth rider is on a Pale Horse. Death. Why not death? Covetousness leads to death. Warfare increases the death rate. Famine multiplies the dying. We are told that today 150,000 persons are born around the world every day, and 100,000 die every day. In battling against the second coming of Jesus,

## Convention Speaker



DR. ROLAND Q. LEAVELL

Shown above is Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, native of Mississippi and president of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. Leavell will speak at the State Convention on "Theological Education."

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During the 21 1/2 months' pastorate of Rev. Joe T. Odle of Gulfport, there have been 501 additions to the church.

Satan is going to see that the death rate is increased. You will note that hell follows closely after death. Churches may twiddle and denominations may major on minors, but hell is on the job.

Satan intensifies his warfare. Why cannot we go into an all-out warfare against the world, the flesh and the Devil? Why cannot we fling at the head of Satan the preached word from the pulpit, a spiritual prayer meeting, all the organizations, all the institutions, consecrated Christian living, soul winning campaigns, a united front? We sing "like a mighty army moves the church of God." Do most churches know to you move like a mighty army? Does your church move like a mighty army?

Jesus gets the complete victory. Read Revelation, chapters 21 and 22. WIN WITH HIM.

## Fifty-Fifty by 1950

A BAPTIST IDEAL ADOPTED  
BY  
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION  
Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself

### WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

1. The local church dividing its receipts 50 per cent to local work and 50 per cent to the Co-operative Program of its state, so that
2. The state convention can divide its receipts 50 per cent to state causes and 50 per cent to the Co-operative Program of Southern Baptists, so that
3. The Southern Baptist Convention can divide its receipts 50 per cent to denominational causes within this country and 50 per cent to missionary work overseas.

### WHERE ARE WE?

3. The Southern Baptist Convention has adopted the basis of 50-50 division on the first \$4,000,000 of its 1949 receipts—but above that amount only 14 per cent goes to overseas work until increased receipts provide the remaining capital needs of all the agencies as revealed in the 1945 survey.
2. The state conventions are reaching toward this ideal; some have already achieved it—but actually only 31.1 per cent of total state convention Co-operative Program receipts was available in 1947 for work beyond the state boundary.
1. Some local churches have set the pace; others are working toward it—but actually only 21.5 per cent of local church receipts was available in 1947 for work beyond the local program.

Let's all make it Fifty-Fifty by 1950!

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*Every Baptist a Tither*



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## Bread Cast Upon The Waters

Although we cannot publish all letters similar to the one below, we feel that many of our readers will be interested in knowing how people in Europe feel about relief which comes to them from people in the United States.

The letter reproduced below was written to Mrs. Cecil Culpepper, President of the Causeyville WMU. It concerns a hat which she sent to the New Orleans Relief Center along with many other hats from Causeyville.

When the letter was read in Sunday School, there was not a dry eye in the church.

Although the WMU has already sent clothing valued at \$239 another committee has been appointed to canvass the entire neighborhood. A translation of the letter follows:

Lubeck Dem. 2-9-1948

Dear Mrs. Culpepper:

What a blessing it is to be an Eastern man and have women of a brother country send a gift. I have a sick brother who wears any kind of head gear or cap all the time. Also have a son in Holland who wears any kind he can get. We are so glad to get a hat from U. S. A. and to rec. it as a gift. Our son found the letter, Psalms and other Scripture. My wife is pleased too. Your letter was too short. We want to rec. more. We love you American women. You do so much good. We need your help in Holland, Germany. We in Holland, Germany. We have a son and children in Holland. We hope to come to see them soon. We lost so much in the war. So many of our loved ones. I have the hat to wear myself. I go to church on Sunday. I work on a Tanker in port of Holland. I help to keep them ready to sail. I like the figure of speech you use in your letter. I went to worship August 22nd. I love Jesus. He to save all. Now, Mrs.

Culpepper, we hope to hear more from you and family. We love you for your efforts to bless our lives. We remain your faithful friend.

IRVING DIETRICH  
BR

## The Last Call

This is the last call for churches to arrange to send the pastor to the State Convention. It will not only be beneficial to the pastors, but to the churches if you arrange for them to attend.

When you make financial arrangements allow sufficient money for your pastor to attend and not be embarrassed financially. Full-time churches should allow at least \$50 to cover necessary expenses for travel, hotel and meals while in the Capitol City. Half-time churches on pro rata basis should arrange for \$25 each and quarter-time churches for \$12.50 each toward the expenses of the pastor.

While sending your pastor it would also be well to have several laymen from your church attend the Convention. The Convention is composed of messengers from our churches. Your church should have a part in deciding issues that come before the Convention. The churches have made the good reports possible as you have sent in your contributions and without your help the work of Mississippi Baptists would be in the low brackets rather than among the leaders.

The opening session of the Convention will be Monday night, November 15.

COME EARLY AND STAY LATE!

BR

## Lutheran Leader Says A Satisfied Church Is A Dying Church

According to a recent Religious News Service dispatch, Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton of New York, Executive Director of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, has made an appeal for more "dissatisfied laymen." He also said that a satisfied church "is a dying church." In those few words Dr. Stoughton has said much. A satisfied life or a satisfied church is a dying life or a dying church. As Dr. Stoughton well says, we need dissatisfied laymen. Any time we think we have reached perfection or done all that there is to be done, or accomplished all that there is to be accomplished, we have reached a sad state of affairs.

Paul did not feel that he had reached perfection or done all that was needed to be done. He said in Phil. 3:14, "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

But read what Dr. Stoughton

says in appealing for dissatisfied laymen:

"PHILADELPHIA — Warning that a satisfied Church 'is a dying Church,' Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton of New York, executive director of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, appealed here for more 'dissatisfied laymen.'

"The victories of faith," he said at a dinner held during the 16th biennial convention of the United Lutheran Church in America, "are with the unsatisfied churches and with the unsatisfied Christians."

He called for dissatisfaction with "the widespread assumption that theology is something foreign to the Christian laymen, that it is a field in which he is not to wander or even to seem familiar, that it is an area of high exclusiveness to which only religious esoterics may be admitted."

In this connection, he deplored "those theologians who write as if they were continually daring one to guess what tremendous truths they are hiding behind their difficult and abstruse language."

"Blessed be all those theologians of all times," he added, "who have discovered the beauty and the power of simple English such as that in the Bible itself. Surely we dare not rest satisfied, we laymen, until the rich theological heritage of the Church is our heritage too."

Suggesting that laymen should also be dissatisfied with a theology "that permits us to rest comfortably," Dr. Stoughton declared:

"Our task as laymen, it seems to me, must be to remind ourselves day in and day out that once the Christian has been justified by God's grace, then good works must follow; that the test of our discipleship in the words of the Master, must always be whether we bear much fruit, or little, or none at all. Until we have that kind of emphasis in our theology we must remain unsatisfied."

He said further that laymen "dare not be satisfied" in the light of all that remains undone in home and foreign missions, in evangelism, overseas reconstruction and rehabilitation.

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## Keep Remembering

Now that many of the young people have gone back to college and others are either enlisting or being drafted into the armed service, Baptist churches throughout Mississippi should send them the Baptist Record. It is one of the best ways to keep up with home church affairs, and if ever our young people needed to be tied to the church it is now.

During the war the Baptist Record received hundreds of letters from grateful soldiers, sailors, and marines in which they expressed their appreciation of the fact that

the home church had not forgotten them.

THEY NEED TO BE REMEMBERED IN PEACE AS WELL AS IN WAR.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

October 31, 1948

Brookhaven, First	764	340
East McComb	438	233
South McComb	218	43
Booneville, First	211	116
Hattiesburg, Main Street	780	273
Laurel, Second Avenue	404	136
Columbus, First	834	245
Pascagoula, Including		
Admiral Schley Mission	563	157
Gulfport, First	608	150
West	81	
Holly Springs	44	44
West Laurel	442	138
Laurel, First	558	182
Chalhybeate	28	39
East Fork (Amite County)	95	55
East Columbia	79	56
Friendship (Pike County)	143	77
Providence (Forrest County)	155	98
Marion (Lauderdale County)	88	60
Kreole	122	85
Louisville, First	482	158
New Prospect (DeSoto County)	61	63
Houlka	81	41
South Laurel	71	63
Grenada, First	541	85
Center Church (Union County)	81	95
Glenfield (Union County)	32	38
Crowder	97	70
Bruce	237	87
Centreville	165	58
Delay	34	46
Durant, First	203	83
New Zion (Copiah County)	86	71
Sharon (Jones County)	126	108
Crystal Springs (Walthall County)	139	89
Lucedale	300	136
Bethlehem (Jones County)	121	112
East Moss Point	164	77
Long Creek (Lauderdale County)	89	93
Mantee	128	33
Central Grove (Monroe County)	55	45
Cross Roads (Webster County)	58	33
Carmel (Lauderdale County)	51	55
Crystal Springs	673	171
New Albany, First	363	172
Including Mission	390	210
Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County)	58	43
Byram (Hinds County)	125	109
Jackson, Elaine	156	103
Jackson, Parkway	626	234
Parkway Chapel	79	25
Jackson, Calvary	1,188	282
Stone Street Mission	42	25
Jackson, First	1,105	436
Jackson, Davis Memorial	268	93
Jackson, Northside	326	106
Jackson, Van Winkle	397	254
October 24, 1948		
New Zion (Copiah County)	100	71
Mantee	124	32

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## 16 ADDED AT MABEN

Dr. W. L. Holcomb, Secretary of Temperance Activities of the Mississippi Baptist Convention was guest evangelist in the recent revival meeting at Maben. Pastor D. M. Metts, Sr., speaks in highest terms of his messages and says that he is an incessant worker.

V. L. Bassett, of New Albany directed the music. Pastor Metts also says he is a tireless worker.

There were 16 additions, 5 for baptism.

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W. A. Phillips, a young man of New Hope Church, Sunflower County, has surrendered his life for special service.



## Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson  
Young People's Sec'y. — Miss Nell Taylor

### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS November 29 to December 3

Theme for the week: "THE WORLD AND THE SONG"

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Preparatory Material.

1. Study book: "Light for the Whole World." order from Baptist Book Store, price 50c. (Free upon request from the Baptist Book Store you can secure a packet of help to be used in teaching the book—this is furnished by the Foreign Mission Board and distributed through the courtesy of the Book Store.)

2. If you have available a 16mm projector, I would recommend one of the following film for showing:

MY NAME IS HAN—25 MINTES—sound—rental fee \$3.00. This film was filmed in China and it is an intriguing combination of dramatic and documentary technique and tells the heart warming and authentic story of how one man found God when his neighbors put Christianity into practice. Han's story is universal. In fact this very name in Chinese means "everyman." His struggles, his doubts, his hopes are indeed those of every man. You'll want to share them with Han when you see the film.

CHINA'S CHILDREN—15 minutes—silent—rental fee \$1.50. Gives an intimate glimpse of the life of children who live on the sampans that throng a great river. Shows children at play

and at work along the streets of a city and well dressed children of wealthy parents, closing with happy children at a mission school.

NEW LIFE FOR CHINA—14 minutes—sound, color—rental fee \$2.50. This film shows war conditions in China, ruins of Baptist churches, colleges, and schools. Scenes from the Triennial Baptist Youth Conference at Shanghai, the University of Shanghai, and missionaries at work.

BEYOND OUR OWN—40 minutes—sound—rental fee \$10.00. This is the story of two brothers—Bob, a young doctor, and Peter, a young lawyer. Bob dedicates his life to full time Christian service and becomes a medical missionary to China, while Peter, enmeshed in the drive for a successful legal career, places his ambition above everything else. After tragedy in Peter's life brings out his lack of purpose and lack of inner strength, a visit to Bob's mission in China helps him find his life anew.

(Order these through your Baptist Book Store, giving first and second choice and allow at least two weeks, as some of the film have to be ordered from other sources.)

## Clarke YWA Girls Enjoy Party



Above we see the happy faces of a group of Y.W.A. girls at Clarke College as they appeared in the home of Mrs. H. T. McLaurin at a social meeting. The picture was taken before the close of last session, and indicates the happy events enjoyed in connection with the school's emphasis on the missionary program Baptists foster. Seated, left to right: Anene Irby, State Line; Juan Everett, Newton; Joyce Ann McLaurin, Newton; Mrs. George Jenkins, Lucedale and Mrs. Sutie Breland, Newton; Standing, left to right: Mrs. H. T. McLaurin, Newton; Annie Belle Harris, Weir; Ave Dee Lewis, Morton; Helen McCurdy, Hillsboro; Ola Mae Cowart, Merigold; Betty Lou Jackson, Natchez; Hazel Farmer, Piedmont, Ala.; Thelma Roe, Campbell, Ala.; Elois Johnston, Mobile,

Ala.; Jimmie Lee Johnson, Lena; Jean Holley, Booneville; Ruby Shirley, Quitman; Frances Whitfield, D'Lo; Patsy Dossett, Whistler, Ala.; Zuelene Newton, Nettleton; Mrs. Trudie Duncan, Newton and Ann Davis, Laurel.

Money given to Clarke College now, provides dormitories for girls and boys who are receiving the best of training for life in the churches in the communities where they will live in the future. Such money is well spent for the ongoing of the Kingdom. GIVE to Clarke College now, include Clarke in the new budget of the church. All local YWA girls can ask that this school be included in the budget in their churches. Clarke YWA girls will appreciate this interest in their school.

## Department of Temperance Activities

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The following quotation from The Foundation Says shows how void of principle the liquor crowd is.

### "UNSCRUPULOUS TACTICS OF KANSAS REPEALISTS"

Forgery — Fraud — Slander

"Kansas Repealists have attached Abraham Lincoln's honored name to their own statements. This is "Forgery." They have distorted what Lincoln did say and injected into it a meaning the direct opposite of what he intended. This is "Fraud." In doing this, they are guilty of slandering one of the noblest figures in world history.

The living can defend themselves, but to forge the name of the dead; to fraudulently distort their statements and to traduce their character is one of the most dastardly of crimes. Yet the indictment of Kansas repealists on all three counts is complete and damning.

Campaign trickery could hardly sink to a lower level than it does in the action of the co-called "Kansas Legal Control Council," when they feature in their campaign literature an alleged quotation from Abraham Lincoln. Here is the proof.

Below are given what Lincoln is represented as saying and Lincoln's actual words."

### THE FORGERY

"Evil in the liquor traffic results not from the use of a bad thing but from the abuse of a good thing." (Note: The words underlined are not the words of Lincoln. They have been added.)

### THE TRUE STATEMENT

"It is true that even then it was known and acknowledged that many were greatly injured by it; but none seemed to think the injury arose from the use of a bad thing, but from the abuse of a very good thing."

"This addition of words and change of phraseology utterly distort the meaning of Lincoln's statement as will be seen. Yet these added words which are underlined are included within the "Quotes."

This is plain forgery and of the most despicable kind. It does not rob—it traduces. Of course no authority is given for the forged quotation. None can be given."

It was Lincoln who said that "Liquor may have its defenders, but it has no defense."

## BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

Mrs. W. C. Tyler, of the Bible Department of Blue Mountain College, was speaker recently for the Men-of-the-Church meeting at the First Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, La.

Joel Sorenson, international youth leader and secretary of the Baptist Young People's Union of Sweden, spoke at a recent general assembly at Blue Mountain College. He is known for his leadership in youth campaigns, for his speaking and for his writing.

Newly elected officers on the student government council at Blue Mountain College are: Jean Jones, Baldwin, house president representative; Edna Jean Reynolds, Starkville, freshman representative for September; Gail Nelms, Gadsden, Ala.; freshman representative for October; Bess Ann Smith, Blue Mountain, local representative.

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## GOING PLACES

BY A. L. GOODRICH

### COUNTY LINE SENDS LIST

The Baptist Record is glad to add a new church to the growing list of churches that have made the Baptist Record a part of their program. County Line Church, Alcorn Association, recently sent a nice list. The list was sent by the clerk Johnny Eubanks of Route 2, Walnut.

Record readers in Alcorn County are now listed as follows: Antioch, 1; Corinth, First, 14; Corinth, Tate Street, 92; Glendale, 2; Hinkle Creek, 27; Holly, 2; Kemps Chapel, 1; Kossuth, 36; Lovejoy, 1; Mt. Hebron 1; Rienzi, 45; Tishomingo Chapel, 2; West Corinth, 93; Union, 13; County Line, 15.

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### IT IS STILL TRUE

"Ask the people and they'll subscribe" is still true. Added proof of this is the following letter:

"The following is a list of new subscribers to the Baptist Record from Gooden Lake Church, Humphrey County, Deer Creek Association." The pastor, Rev. E. D. Crenshaw, of Isola, sends the list and merely had to ask the people and they were glad to subscribe.

Record readers in Deer Creek Association are now listed as follows: Anguilla, 42; Cary 17; Catchings 33; Rolling Fork, 97; Straight Bayou, 19; Belzoni, 205; Isola, 28; Louise, 1; Silver City, 30; Gooden Lake 11; Calvary, 24; Alexander Memorial, 16; Arcola, 48; Darlove, 29; Ferriday, 20; Glen Allen, 30; Greenville, First, 335; Greenville, Second, 65; Greenville, Calvary, 45; Greenville, East, 106; Hollandale 127; Leland 250 and Swiftwater 13.

## 18 Juniors Receive Awards From Calvary Church, Tupelo

### Night Travelling, Vacations Declined To Preserve Record

Eighteen members of the Junior Department of the Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, have qualified for special awards for their qualified for special awards for their records of perfect attendance, ranging from one to six years.

Superintendent M. E. Leake presented five silver dollars to each student, who not only had a record of perfect attendance but also had prepared the lesson for each Sunday. Heading the list was Lynn Pegues, with a record of six years, followed by Mary Ann Doty, with five years; Jean Johnson, Nina Ruth Shirley,

### MT. OLIVE IS NUMBER 923

The Baptist Record and Rev. W. E. Ellinburg are synonymous; therefore, it was no surprise when recently an EVERY FAMILY list was received from Mt. Olive church where Mr. Ellinburg is pastor. The list of 44 was sent by Mrs. Guy Arickson.

In addition to the 44 names sent, there were 9 already receiving the Record which makes a total of 53. Other Record readers in Carroll County are now listed as follows: Calvary, 12; Carrollton, 12; Centerville, 8; Coila, 9; Harmony, 2; Leflore, 2; McCauley, 2; Mt. Olive, 53; Mt. Pisgah, 18; New Jerusalem, 11; New Salem, 6; New Shiloh, 1; North Carrollton, 30; Old Plank, 18 and Vaiden 51.

Dr. J. L. Boyd, custodian of the Mississippi Baptist Historical Collection, of Clinton, asks that clerks please send at least one copy of their minutes to him for the permanent files of the collection.

Rev. Carl Triplett, pastor of Sinking Creek Church near Johnson City, Tennessee, is promoting an Around the Clock Prayer Chain. Anyone interested may address him at R. 5, Johnson City, and he will send full information.

Buddy McClellan, Jimmy Repult and O'Neal Gregory, each with two years and David Snipes, Buddy Hutchinson, Billie Brunson, Paul McElroy and Charles Parham, one year each.

Six other members of the Junior Department who received honors for their records of perfect attendance included Sylvia Owens, Edd McGuire and Shirley Repult, two years; and Jane Spight, Luther McDougal and Martha Wascomb, one year.

Three interesting incidents within the past two years indicated the extent of enthusiasm they displayed in their Sunday school work.

Sylvia Owens, who had a two-year perfect record for attendance at Sunday school, gave up an offer of a vacation in Arkansas, which might have resulted her having to miss a Sunday at church.

Buddy McClellan, also a two-year perfect-record member, while on his vacation and traveling on Sunday, urged the family to stop on the way and the group went to Sunday school in order not to mar his record.

Jimmy Repult, while visiting in Natchez, determined not to break his record of perfect attendance by insisting upon traveling all night long in order to arrive in Tupelo in time to attend Sunday school.

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### Convention Comments Continued

Space forbids mentioning all of the many who contributed to the spiritual success of our recent Convention at Delta State, but certainly the special appreciation of all Mississippi BSUs goes to President Kethley, Mrs. John Merrill, Jr., Dr. Charles Treadway, and all who worked with them for the marvelous way they entertained us; to Herbert Savell, of Miss. College, our State Enlistment Chairman, who with the Delta State students did such a great job of registration and assignment of rooms and homes; to Lucille Grogan and Freda Gillaspay, of First Church, Jackson's staff; to my wife, Eva Lois, and my sister-in-law, Lola Davis, and to Daunie Jean Smith Edwina May, Patsy Bailey, Alene Johnson, and perhaps others in the Baptist Building who helped us in special ways.

Here's some others' comments, recently received: "Upon our return Sunday night the pastor called for testimonies from the convention, and four students really inspired the congregation with the blessings they had received. . . . 'Chas. Tolbert, Miss. College. . . . ' everything on the program was excellent! The speakers were unusually fine. In fact, to me it's the best convention we had since I have been in Mississippi. The Cleveland college and townspeople really welcomed us with open arms. . . . 'Helen Bolt, Blue Mountain. . . . ' I thoroughly enjoyed the convention and regret having to

miss the Sat. night and Sunday morning sessions."—R. A. Morris, Newton. . . "It was such a rich blessing to me. . . Cleveland certainly did a splendid job of taking care of the students!—Co Griffin, Southwestern Seminary. . . "I felt that you had a wonderful meeting."—T. D. McCullough, Little Rock, Ark. . . "it was a pleasure to work objectively at a student gathering. . . I believe that the music perhaps contributed a major part to the development of the good attitude which seemed to prevail throughout the sessions. Your man Elsey is certainly superb in that job. I appreciate also the opportunity to get to hear Sorenson. You did not ask me but the only part I would have changed would be an attempt to provide more time for seminar sessions."—Otto P. Estes, Jr., Alexandria, La. . . "I had a wonderful time, enjoyed every minute of it, and only wish I could have been with you longer."—Chas. Wellborn, Ft. Worth Tex. . . "We are still rejoicing in the B. S. U. Convention which was brought to our community. It will be a real blessing to our people for years to come. I have heard so many express their appreciation for the fine program. . . and also for the students who attended. The people have certainly loved having the students in their homes, and they were impressed by the quality of character demonstrated by the ones who came."—Chas. Treadway.



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### OUR THREE POINT PROGRAM

Southern Baptist Sunday schools have the following three point program for this year:

1. An Enrolment Goal—600,000 net gain. This is larger than any gain we have had in previous years.

2. A Bible Teaching Program. This is to help provide an expanding Bible teaching program that includes the Sunday morning session, Vacation Bible school, a Bible study week in January, one study course each year, and a family altar.

3. A Soul-Winning Emphasis. All the work is to be keyed to this important part.

These three points certainly strike at the vital parts of a great Sunday school program. We hope that each school will enter vigorously into all three of these during this year.

### GET CHURCH MEETING MATERIAL

A number of our associational leaders have not yet requested from the Nashville office the material for the church planning meetings this fall. --

If yours has not, be sure and get this at once. Write to Mr. J. P. Edmunds, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

### SHINING LIGHTS SHINE

The Shining Lights Junior class of Mendenhall really did shine through all of the year just closed by being standard every quarter. What a record!

My; my! how proud we are of you, the only Junior class in the state to achieve this distinction. Wouldn't it be nice just to keep on being standard? You can if you just keep up the good work that you did last year. We dare you to try it.

Congratulations!

### EXTENSION MEMBERS SUPPORT CHURCH BUDGET

At this season, Southern Baptist churches turn their attention to the every-member canvass. At this time, Extension members should be given the opportunity to make pledges to the church budget like all other members of the Sunday school.

All information on the finances of the church should be given to the Extension members when it is given to the other members. When pledge cards are presented, the Extension members should receive theirs. Pledge cards are presented, the Extension members regardless of when they join.

A study of the church budget with the member is interesting and informing. It gives him a vision of our

worldwide Baptist program and usually creates a desire to give to it.

Mrs. Henry Sample, superintendent of the Extension department of the Allapattah Baptist Church, Miami, Florida, reports that during the past eight months seven hundred dollars has been contributed to their church budget in tithes and offerings through the Extension department.

Sixty-one members are enrolled in this department and since January 1, sixteen have been transferred to active membership in Sunday school classes, three have been led to Christ, and two have joined the church by letter.

Strengthen the financial program of your church and develop more members in scriptural giving through the Extension department.

### MORE VBS REPORTS

Siloam, Cedar Bluff, Pine Bluff, Mt. Olive, New Zion Clear Branch, Holly Springs, New Home, Old Oak Grove, Blackwater, Daleville, Sand Hill, Brookhaven First, Inverness, Edinburg, Freeny, Cedar Grove, Liberty.

New Ireland, Hickory, Pine Grove, Friendship, Sumner, Ascalmore, Brooksville, Olive, Nicholson, Crosby, Nicholson, Crosby, New Haven, New Prospect, Georgetown, Pleasant Grove, Burnsville, Ashland, Shady Grove, Jackson Griffith Memorial, Hopewell, Poplar Springs, Pleasant Hill.

Bethlehem, Buck Creek, Mt. Moriah, Philadelphia Immanuel and Grace, Northside Columbus, Alta Woods, Hepzibah, Antioch, Oak Grove, DeSoto, Shubuta, Union, Centreville, Magee's Creek, Mesa, Union, Hope, Neshoba, New Harmony.

Spring Creek, Harmony, Sharon, Navilla, Hattiesburg First Meridian 8th Ave., Mt. Olive, Center, Hinkle Creek, Benoit, Boyle, Interstate, Carthage, Winona, Deerbrook, and the following Indian churches: Macedonia, Bogue Homo, Bogue Chitto, Bethany, Hope, Hopewell, Mt. Zion, Canaan.

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### KYZAR LEADS WEST SALEM IN REVIVAL MEETING

Rev. W. W. Kyzar recently led West Salem Church, Green County, in a revival. Bob Perry, Clarke College student, acted as pastor due to the church being pastorless at that time.

There were six additions. C. G. Cargile, recently student at Clarke College, has now been called as pastor. deithe ETAOIN SHRDLU UPUUUU

## BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

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### BROTHERHOOD CONFERENCE LEADERS



HUGH LATIMER

Shown above are two of the conference leaders for the Statewide Brotherhood Conference that is to meet November 15, 10:30 until 3:00, preceding opening of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. The meeting is to be at First Church, Jackson. Hugh Latimer (left) is to speak at 11:00 A. M. on the subject, "Southwide Objectives for 1949." Dr. G. E. Wiley (right) is to lead a conference for the Pastors at 2:00 P. M.



DR. G. E. WILEY

### BATESVILLE OBSERVES STUDY COURSE WEEK

October 25-30 was Sunday School and Training Union Study Course week at the First Baptist Church, Batesville.

The Adults studied **A Church Using Its Sunday School** taught by Rev. J. W. Oliver, Associational Missionary; the Young People, **Investments In Christian Living** taught by Mr. Wayne Broome.

The Intermediates studied **A Faith To Live By** taught by Rev. R. W. Martin, the pastor; and the Juniors **The Junior Baptist** taught by Miss Dorris Bailey.

There was an average attendance of 66 and 48 above the Story Hour are to receive awards.

### Farmer Contributes Cane Clarke Students Make Syrup

Mr. W. B. Gilbert of Pineville, has made a contribution to Clarke College, the like of which many Mississippi Baptists might make. The contribution consisted of a half acre of sugar cane.

Under the direction of John T. Carter, Professor of Agriculture at the college, a group of students, including William G. Gilbert, son of the donor, are stripping, topping, cutting, and piling the cane on Saturdays.

Mr. Carter states about half of the cane will be saved for seed to plant on the college farm next season. The other half will be used to make molasses for the college dining hall. It is expected the yield will be about one hundred gallons.



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## Sparks & Splinters

For fear that some may have overlooked the notice it is being repeated. Because the chapel of the new administration building at Mississippi College is not quite completed and the Convention schedule is so crowded, the dedication service scheduled at Mississippi College for 8:30 a. m., Monday, November 13, has been postponed until some later date, probably at commencement in June in 1949.

The Northeast Mississippi Baptist Pastors' Conference will meet at Mathiston on November 8, beginning at 10 a. m. During the morning program the conference will be led in a study of the book of Romans by Rev. I. F. Metts, followed by a sermon by Rev. Carey Cox. After a period for lunch and fellowship, Rev. Carey Sansing and Rev. J. A. Wade will lead studies in the 3rd and 4th chapters of Galatians.

Newton Baptists have included Clarke College in their budget for \$1000, despite the fact that the church faces a \$150,000 building program. Committee members estimate that \$50,000 extra was needed in their plans to provide adequately for the Clarke students. This progressive congregation has grown until the need for added space is facing them in the near future.

Among recent visitors in the office of the Baptist Record were: Mary Louise Turner, Jackson; Rev. H. L. Williams, Laurel; John L. Wood, Clinton; Rev. Joe T. Odle, Gulfport; Rev. C. O. Estes, Canton; Rev. W. L. Meadows, Quitman; H. E. Adams, Jackson; J. McCollough, McComb; Mrs. A. L. McCaugh, Greenwood; Miss Monte McMahan, Jackson; Mrs. Nannie D. Collum, Jackson; Mrs. W. S. Bates, Canton; A. M. Brumfield, Bentonia; Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron; Rev. F. B. Bookter, McComb; Dr. Fred Mosley, Lucedale; Rev. M. Glenn Smith, McComb; Rev. Nolan M. Kennedy, Clinton; Mrs. Gordon Shamburger, Jackson; Sarah Louise Howell, McComb; Paul Spikes and Rev. J. M. Spikes, Brookhaven; and Dr. Charles L. McKay, Ala.

Rev. B. H. Benton has accepted the pastorate of Mt. Zion church in Simpson County, a full-time rural church. He will continue his radio program on WRBC.

Rev. R. E. Jones, former pastor of South Side Church, McComb, who a few months ago retired from the active pastorate, is available for supply work. His address is 1104 Witterman St., McComb. During the past summer, he was kept quite busy supplying churches within reach of McComb.

Rev. J. N. Brister, who has been pastor of Oil City Church, Yazoo County, for three years, has resigned to become pastor of the Second Church in Yazoo City. During Mr. Brister's Oil City pastorate, there have been 46 additions by baptism and a new church building almost completed.

Pastor Grady H. Smith has moved in the pastorium recently purchased by Paul Truitt Memorial Church, Rankin County. On Tuesday night, October 19, the church surprised the pastor and his family with a grocery shower.

Members of Damascus Church have just completed a Sunday School Study Course taught by the pastor, Rev. Sammie Crawford. "Building A Standard Sunday School" was studied by 23 members of the church and many of the other members plan to reach the book.

New Hope Church, near Drew, recently gave a pantry shower for the new pastor, Rev. Claude Howe. The pastor says it was a hurricane, rather than a shower.

Ira L. Hudson, clerk of the Lafayette Association, lets no grass grow under his feet. He has already had the minutes of the association printed and distributed. The Baptist Record appreciates a copy.

## CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton  
CALLED AND ACCEPTED

Pierce W. Wilbanks, Calvary, Augusta, Va.

Ira McMillan, Jr., Hillcrest, Lexington, Ky., from Carlisle.

C. J. Buice, Oteen, N. C., from Atlanta Ga.

Lehman F. Webb West Helena, Ark., from Sulphur Springs Church, Franklin, Ky.

L. C. Allen, First, Heflin, Ala., from Ky.

Carlyle Marney, First, Austin, Tex., from Immanuel Paducah Ky.

Riley Simpson Penn West, Holdenville, Okla.

Cecil W. Jones, Teacher of Bible, Woman's College, Hattiesburg, Miss., from Vine Street Chapel, Louisville, Ky.

E. C. Chamblee, Grove Park Church, Burlington, N. C.

Ted M. Jones, Semmes Church, Mobile, Ala., from Atlanta, Ga.

A. J. Gross, Foley, Fla.

Albert S. Hale First, High Point, N. C., from First Jefferson City Tenn.

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## Piano Dedicated At Stringer

Stringer Church has purchased a beautiful Spinette piano. The new instrument was installed in the auditorium and was dedicated at the morning service on October 20. Pastor Clarence J. Hughes preached the dedicatory sermon and Billy Lewis directed the music, with Mrs. W. B. Hyde as pianist and Mrs. J. H. Stringer, organist.

Mr. Hughes has been pastor of the church about six months, and came from Summerland. He is a graduate of Clarke College and Mississippi College. In addition to purchasing the piano, since he came to the church the attendance has increased, money for completion of the church basement has been raised and plans are underway for new pews for the church auditorium.

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## ADAMS-FRANKLIN MAKES PLANS FOR 1949

At a call meeting of the pastors and officers of the Adams-Franklin Baptist Association in Bude Baptist Church October 25, the following program was suggested and adopted as a plan of work for the new Association year.

First, A Simultaneous B. T. U. Study Course in March 1949.

Second, A Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign in June 1949.

Third, An urge to have a Sunday school Study Course in every church during the new year.

Fourth, Two meetings of the Association called with reports and inspirational messages by out side speakers. The time set for these meetings are, February 7, and June 6, 1949.

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## Annual Report Shows Gains For South Side, Meridian

From the associational letter South Side Church, Meridian, The Rev. A. Estus Mason, pastor, we learn the following facts:

The average Sunday School attendance has grown from 304 to 340 and the average Training Union attendance from 108 to 147. Other organizations have shown similar increases. There have been 77 additions to the church, during the past year, 30 by baptism. Total membership is 864, with a resident membership of 686.

The financial report shows a grand total of \$21,995. The gifts to missions was a considerable increase over last year.

## Starkville First Dedicates Tower Music System, Chimes

Sunday morning, October 17, Starkville Church, the Rev. Wilburn S. Smith, pastor dedicated a Tower Music System the gift of J. B. Van Landingham in honor of his wife, and Organ Chimes and accoustical equipment, the gift of Dr. and Mrs. T. W. Rankin in memory of men of Oktibbeha County who gave their lives in World War II. Bronze plaques bearing appropriate dedicatory inscriptions were placed in the church auditorium.

The evening service was given in recognition of the 228 members which were added to the church during the past year, 43 of whom were for baptism.

In additions to the gains in membership and the installation of the Tower Music System, the Organ Chimes, and accoustical equipment, during the past year a Public Address System has been installed, a Building Fund has been started, and the Church staff enlarged by three workers: Miss Mary Ruth Johnson, Church Secretary; S. A. Salter, Student Secretary, and Earl Moody, Southern Seminary student, as assistant pastor for the summer months.

A two-story modern brick pastorium is under construction and will be completed within a few weeks.

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## MRS. LULIE MATTHEWS FRANCIS

Whereas, on September 29, 1948 our all-wise God saw fit to call to her Heavenly Home, Mrs. Lulie Matthews Francis, who for more than fifty years, was a faithful member of Crystal Springs Church, The Woman's Missionary Society, the Adult Choir, and a teacher in the Sunday School, therefore, be it resolved:

First, that we have found her to be a faithful, willing, loyal and humble servant of her Lord, always ready to serve her church, her pastor, her family and her friends;

Second, that her life was an inspiration to all who knew her, and while her place can never be filled we extend our heartfelt sympathy to her loved ones;

Third, that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Woman's Missionary Union record book, a copy be sent to the Baptist Record for publication, and a copy be sent to her daughters, whose devotion to their beloved mother in everyday living, has been an inspiration to all.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. H. RUSSUM,

Chairman

MRS. W. W. PRICE

MRS. CECIL PRITCHARD

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## 27 ADDED AT PICAYUNE

Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., of Hattiesburg did the preaching in an eight day revival at Picayune First Church, closing on October 24. Mr. T. E. Bush of Colquitt, George, had charge of the music. The pastor is the Rev. O. P. Estes.

The spirit of cooperation in the early morning services manifested a genuine interest. The services in the schools, in the church, and at the industries were well attended and yielded a hearty response.

There were 27 additions to the church, 16 for baptism, and one rededication.

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After 35 years of active service as superintendent of the Junior Department, Mr. M. E. Leake has retired. In loving appreciation of his years of service the Junior Department of Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, presented him with a silver clothes brush.

## ODLE AND UNGREN LEAD GRENADA FIRST REVIVAL

By Dr. Glen Eric Wiley

The Annual Revival Meeting at the First Baptist Church, Grenada, Mississippi, was held this year from September 12 through September 22. The preacher was Pastor Joe Odle of the First Church, Gulfport, Mississippi, and the singer was Morris Ungren of Memphis and New York City.

These two men made a wonderful team. Brother Odle's preaching was scriptural, forceful, and powerful. There was every evidence of the favor of God upon each message. No man could bring messages that gave evidence of closer study of the word God or better evidence of life lived in close, intimate companionship with the Saviour. Brother Ungren sang with great power and with an interpretation upon his songs that made them genuine, spiritual messages. He has a marvelous voice, operatic baritone. Originally engaged in singing light opera and in the entertainment field. Brother Ungren is now giving all of his time to the singing of the glorious gospel of Christ. Not only is his solo work superb, but in addition, he is a master in the art of directing both choir and congregation. How we do thank God for sending these two brethren to Grenada for this revival meeting.

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## Cranford Goes To Calvary, Waynesboro

Rev. Jack Cranford, who recently resigned the pastorate at Iuka, has been called as pastor of the newly organized Calvary Church in Waynesboro.

Pastor Cranford says that Waynesboro is one of the fastest growing towns in Mississippi and the need for a second church is urgent. A building program is expected to begin immediately. He also spoke of the gracious reception given by Pastor Eldie F. Hicks of the First Church of the generous shower given by the people.

In order to start right, the new church has already adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

During the 18 months pastorate of Mr. Cranford at Iuka, there were more than 100 for baptism, and six dedications for special work. A Training Union was organized and also a Junior Choir (said to be one of the largest in the state), and the Sunday School attendance was largely increased. A pastor's home was built and the old one converted into an educational annex.

Mr. Cranford also served as a member of the Convention Board and as president of the Christian Citizen's League.

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## 1ST CHURCH BROOKHAVEN HAS GOOD YEAR

Much progress was made during the past associational year by the First Church, Brookhaven, Dr. W. Landon Miller, pastor.

From the Church Letter to the Lincoln County Association a few of the outstanding facts are shown below: Baptisms 114; additions by letter 230; tithers 311; revivals 3; Sunday School enrollments 1505; VBS enrollment 265; Training Union enrollment 243; WMU enrollment 340; gifts for local work \$48,633; gifts for missions \$33,423.



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### Three Associational Officers Clinics Next Week

At Grenada next Wednesday November 10th at First Church Meridian next Thursday November 11th, at Brookhaven next Friday officers in our state. We have the annual clinic for the associational officers in our state. We having the three meetings this year instead of one, this to bring the meetings nearer the people thus saving long distances. EVERY Associational Training Union officer is urged to be with us in one of these meetings. There are no lines, come to the one most convenient for you.

We are to have the pleasure of having three of our southwide workers with us at these meetings. Mr. Leonard Wedel, Southwide Associational Leader; Mr. Aubrey Hearn, Associate Editor and associate in the Training Union department of the South; Miss Thelma Arnote, Southwide Story Hour Leader. With these four of our state training union workers will be in each meeting to help with the conference work.

The meetings in each place begin at 10:00 a. m. and are scheduled to close at 4:15. Every one is welcome to attend these meetings, we urge all associational Training Union officers to attend and sincerely request all moderators and clerks of associations to be with us. Here we set up the 1949 program, the theme of which will be **Found Faithful**.

In case all associational officers have not been elected, please let the associational directors appoint some one to represent each office so we may have a full corps of officers hence full committee meetings. The Association continues to be the most important unit in our Denominational organization for promotional work.

### Echo's from the Warren Campaign

We have a helpful letter from Brother Watkins, Pastor's Assistant at First Vicksburg telling of the results of the recent Enlargement Campaign in their church in which they had Dr. Clay I. Hudson as the director. Quoting Brother Watkins — "Our people are certainly more Training Union conscious than ever before. Dr. Hudson sold us completely on the graded idea and we are determined to realize the goal of a 'Completely graded Training Union for a completely enlisted Church Membership.' We had set our goal at 225 for Sunday night



LEONARD WEDEL

and were rejoiced to see 274 present, nearly 100 more than the previous Sunday. Yes sir, Enlargement Campaigns can really do something for a church." Brother Watkins closes his statement with the scripture quotation — "Bless the Lord O my soul and all that is within me bless His Holy Name." The entire training union quoted this scripture together at the close of the Sunday night meeting.

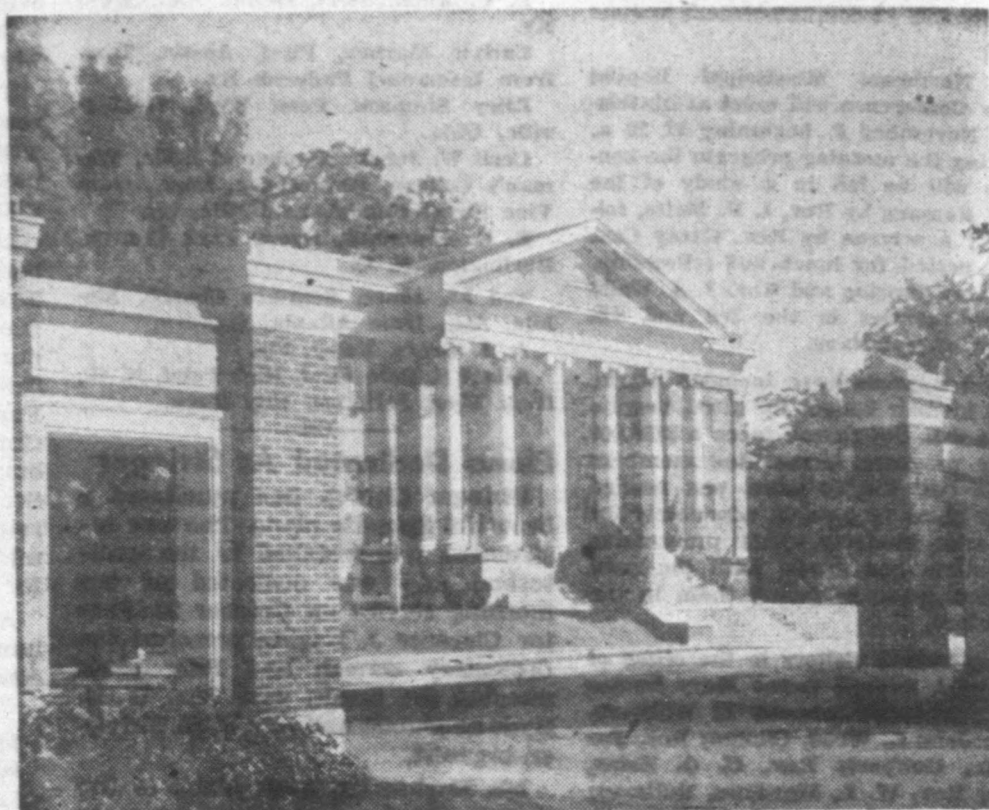
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### Sardis Church Burns, Loss Is Complete

On the evening of October 24 the First Baptist Church of Sardis, was completely destroyed with fire. This church organization is over 100 years old and the building was about 65 years old.

The fire caught in the attic above the main auditorium, evidently from a defect in the main furnace flue and soon after the flame was discovered the fire was out of control. Many things were saved such as: 2 pianos, our Broadman Hymnals, new Hammond organ, benches, and some Sunday School equipment.

Plans are now in the making for raising money, selecting building plans, and we hope to build again as quickly as possible. The building was partially covered with insurance While reconstruction is being carried out, our services, without missing a single one, will be held in the county court house at Sardis.



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## Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for November 7

PREPARED BY BRACEY CAMPBELL

**I. Age and Character of the Book of Job.** Competent critics have given their opinion that Job is the oldest book in the Bible, and there are those who have declared it the oldest book in the world. It is cast in dramatic form. Someone has said, "A drama is a composition in prose and poetry, accommodated to action and intended to portray life or character, or to tell a story by actions, and usually dialogue, tending toward some result directly based upon them. The dominant effect of a reading of Job upon any reader who has had study in forms of literature is that of a magnificent drama. No element of dramatic effect is wanting; and that which we least have expected, the scenic effect, is especially impressive. The great ash-mound, or garbage dump, outside an ancient town makes a stage just suited for the single earthly scene—and that an open-air scene—to which a Greek tragedy would be confined. Of course the august opening scene in the heaven of God could not be staged upon earth, at least it could not in the days of Job.

This drama differs from the masterpieces of secular drama, like the *Lear* of Shakespeare or the *Faust* of Goethe, in that here the characters are real. Job was a historic character. The names of persons and places are specified with a particularity not to be expected in an allegory. The finely finished form of the speeches in this great dramatic poem would suggest that the debate went on for several days, with each speaker given time to prepare his speech, and for an arrangement to be made whereby no one spoke out of his turn.

Life is full of drama in the real and just because the Bible is a human book, there is in it a large element of the dramatic.

**II. God's Estimate of Job.** "There is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and turneth away from evil." "A perfect . . . man," a man whose intentions are good, whose aims are always to find the way of God and walk in it. "An upright man," sincere and guileless, honest and truthful, meeting his obligations and discharging his duties. "One that feareth God," not in a slavish fear of the slave-master's scourge nor as a fearful dog, coming crouching and dragging his body to the feet of his master in fear of the whip; but fearful that he shall fall short of the finest life he might live for God, fearful that he might somewhere fail to match the expectation of the Master who is assisting in the work of completing a glorious salvation. He "turneth away from evil." He refuses to entertain it, to give it room in his heart, to give power in his life.

**III. Satan's Subtle Slander.** "Doth Job fear God for naught?" No wonder Job loves you, or at least, pretends to love you. No wonder Job fears you, or at least, pretends to fear you. You've made him rich and given him children and herds and lands as far as he can see. (You see, the devil was smart enough to understand that all good things came from God. He knew the fount of every blessing was God, in which thing he had more sense than just a lot of people who make outward profession of goodness).

But, now, Satan said, you just turn Job over to me for once, and I'll show you something. There is Satan slandering a good man. He will do that, and he has some servants hereabouts who will do the same thing. My brother, when you feel an itching desire to tell some damaging story to the hurt of somebody who has never wronged you, inquire of your heart whether you may not be about to do the devil a favor by per-

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO STUDY ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE DUTIES AND SERVICES OF THE SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

This Committee has given extensive study to all matters pertaining to the duties and the services of the Social Service Committee, including references in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. There is an obvious need for a continued correlation of our present mission work, which we call "Social Service," and the possibility that other emphases will need to be made under this heading at various times; therefore, it would seem unwise to completely abolish the Social Service Committee.

On the other hand, it has also been obvious that there has been no necessity for a committee on paper which has not been expected to or instructed to perform its duties nor have such duties been performed by said Committee for a period of years.

It was this feeling by the Committee itself which produced the resolution under which our Special Committee was appointed and order to function by last year's Convention; therefore, it seems necessary that we approach our problem from a new angle.

Article VII of the Constitution stipulates "the general work of the Convention shall be committed to the Convention Board, which shall have charge and supervision, unless otherwise provided, of all the work of the Convention, including missions, education, social service, . . ." and since the practice for many years (a practice which has adequately met the needs) has been for the agencies under Social Service to report directly to the Convention Board between conventions, and the Convention Board having performed essentially the duties required of a Social Service Committee, we recommend:

1. That a Social Service Commission replace our present Social Service Committee, and that Article XIV of the By-Laws be amended by the addition of "(d) The Social Service Commission, composed of five members of and appointed by the Con-

vention Board."

**IV. Job's Final Triumph.** Satan brought Job very low. Why did God permit Satan to treat Job so? I do not know, only this: God saw the end from the beginning. He knew that Job was worthy of all trust, that Job would stand every test, that Job would come out of this test a better man than he went into it, and that the worst that Satan could do was not enough to topple the best that the grace of God could do in making an upright man. From the sort of trial to which Job was subjected, none of us are immune. Satan claims the right to test God's people. He claimed the right to sift the disciples of the Lord as wheat, when Jesus their Lord was taken from them.

When that sort of trial comes to you or me, what will our reaction be? Well, tell me where your strength lies, let me tell myself honestly where mine lies, and I'll tell you whether we or any of us will stand the test and pass through the fire of it unscathed. Will you place your trust in the might of man? Or in the forces of this world? Will you lean upon your own understanding? or that of any mortal man? Yes! Then you'll fall, fall, be broken on Satan's wheel after having been caught in his trap.

But will you trust alone in God and keep you faithful unto Him? Will you say with faithful Job, "I know that my redeemer liveth and that one day he will stand (again) upon the earth, and though after my death, worms shall destroy this body, yet without my flesh shall I see God." Is Job's redeemer your redeemer? Job's God, your God? Then Job's faith may be your faith and a triumph like Job's shall be your triumph. So shall the drama from real life that tells your story have a happy ending, as did the drama of the life of Job.

### MRS. MARTHA ANN SUMRALL

Laurel, Miss., Nov. 1—A pioneer Jones County mother who reared four sons to be ministers of the gospel, Mrs. Martha Ann Sumrall, died Monday noon at the family residence near Ellisville after a brief illness. She was 84.

Born in Jones County, she married "Buck" Sumrall, who preceded her in death several years ago. She leaves four daughters, Mrs. W. T. Moulds, and Mrs. Earl Evans of Ellisville, Mrs. J. I. Ingram of Lux, Miss., and Mrs. Oree Anderson, Neely, Miss.; and five sons, Lee Sumrall of Baton Rouge, Rev. S. E. Sumrall of Lake; Rev. I. D. Sumrall of Baton Rouge, and Rev. D. D. Sumrall of Palestine, Texas and Rev. Troy Sumrall of Hattiesburg. She also leaves 21 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Services will be held Tuesday afternoon and burial will be in Yrick Cemetery. Six grandsons, Curtis, Jimmy, James, Joe, Doyle and Tom Sumrall, will serve as pallbearers.

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Mrs. Charles Whitten, the former Nella Dean Mitchell, Louisville, Miss., who graduated from Blue Mountain College in 1944, writes that they are on the field in South America assigned to them by the Foreign Mission Board. Their address is Jujoy 3920, La Florida, Rosario, Argentina.

### vention Board."

2. That we further amend By-Law XIV, the last clause of paragraph one, to read "and all social work shall be considered under a general report on social service presented by the Social Service Commission."
  3. That the references in Article XV and Article XVII of the By-Laws be amended to read "Social Service Commission" in each place where the words "Committee on Social Service" occur.
  4. That Article XXI of the By-Laws be amended to delete the clause "and a standing committee on Social Service consisting of nine members."
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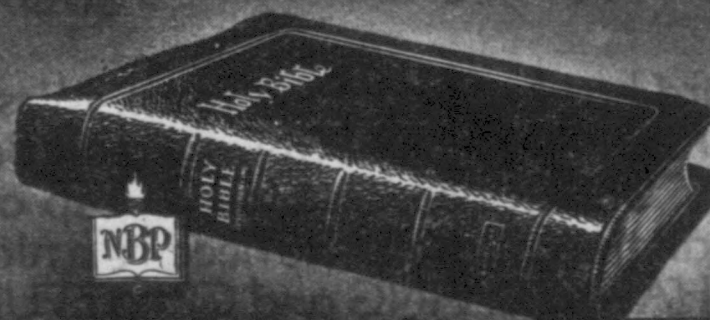


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